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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-35 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-35 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____ . |
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DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: in line 19 of page 5, the contents of originally filed claims 1, 7, and 25 should be replaced with the claim numbers here.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

2. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.
3. Claims 1-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 1

The limitations of the "predetermined level" of melt flow rate of the polymer and hydrogen are not defined, which renders the claims indefinite.

Claim 2

The use of the relative term "strongly" renders the limitation of "a strongly coordinating donor" indefinite.

Claims 7 and 15

In both claims respectively, the limitation of the solid catalyst "particles having a predetermined size range" lacks definition.

Claims 25 and 26

In both claims respectively, the limitations of the volume of a "predetermined level" lacks definition.

Claim 29

The use of the relative term "bulky" renders the limitation of "a bulky reactor" indefinite.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5. Claims 1-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Thorman (US 7,078,468).

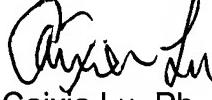
Thorman teaches a process for preparation propylene polymer in the presence of a Ziegler catalyst with various dimethoxysilanes as the external electron donors (col. 5, lines 39-66). In Fig. 2 and Table II, Thorman discloses the relation between hydrogen concentration and melt flow rate (MF) of polypropylene prepared in the presence of a Ziegler catalyst with various dimethoxysilanes as the external electron donors, and the polypropylenes prepared with cyclohexylmethyldimethoxysilane (CMDS) and diisobutylmethoxysilane (DIBDS) have about the same MF's but different xylene solubles (XS) when the concentration of hydrogen is in the range of 0.08 to 0.20 mol%.

Isotacticity of the polypropylene is reflected in the amount of xylene solubles (XS), the higher the XS, the lower the isotacticity. Since the polypropylene prepared in the presence of in the presence of CMDS and DIBDS have about the same MF but different the isotacticities in as listed in Table II, the polymerization processes disclosed in Example pairs of 1 and 9, 2 and 10, 3 and 11, 4 and 12 respectively anticipate the instant claims.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Caixia Lu whose telephone number is (571) 272-1106. The examiner can normally be reached from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful and the matter is urgent, the examiner's supervisor, David Wu, can be reached at (571) 272-1114. The fax numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1700.



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